

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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October 5, 2006

IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: AS-0

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AS-NEEDED POTABLE WATER TANK INSPECTION AND CLEANING SERVICES
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 AND 5
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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICTS:

- 1. Find that the contract work is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- 2. Award the contract for As-Needed Potable Water Tank Inspection and Cleaning Services in an annual sum not to exceed \$60,000 to LiquiVision Technology, Inc. This contract will be for a term of one year commencing on November 8, 2006, with two 1-year renewal options, not to exceed a total of three years. Funds are available from various Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts' (Districts) Fiscal Year 2006-07 funds and will be included in the future years' budget request.
- 3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to execute this contract; to renew it for each additional renewal option, if, in the opinion of the Director, renewal is warranted; to grant month-to-month extensions in the final contract term not exceeding a total of six months, for the convenience of the County; and to terminate the contract, if, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This contract is for the inspection and cleaning of potable water tanks in the Districts to determine the tanks' overall condition. The work to be performed will consist of as-needed inspection, basic cleaning, and minor tank repairs. In addition, inspection videos and written reports will be provided by the contractor. The Districts have contracted for this service since 2003. The purpose of this action is to continue contracting for this service.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The award of this contract is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Organizational Effectiveness as the contractor has the specialized expertise to provide this service accurately, efficiently, timely, and in a responsive manner.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact on net County cost. The contract is for an annual amount not to exceed \$60,000. This contract allows a cost-of-living adjustment for the additional option years in accordance with County policy established by the Chief Administrative Office.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Prior to the Director executing this contract, which will be substantially similar to Enclosure A, the contractor will sign and County Counsel will review it as to form. This contract will be for a term of one year commencing on November 8, 2006, with two 1-year renewal options, not to exceed a total of three years.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to this recommended contract, which is for services required on an as-needed, intermittent basis; hence, this contract is not a Proposition A contract (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.121).

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These services are categorically exempt from CEQA as specified in Sections 15301, Class 1e, of the State CEQA guidelines.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

On June 28, 2006, Public Works solicited proposals from 56 independent contractors and community business enterprises to accomplish this work. Also, notice of the Request for Proposals (RFP) was placed on the County's bid website (Enclosure B), and an advertisement was placed in the *Los Angeles Times*.

Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding, the RFP of this contracted service was submitted on June 27, 2006, to the Local 660 Union for review before being released to the public. The Union declined to meet with Public Works.

On July 27, 2006, three proposals were received. The proposals were first reviewed to ensure they met the mandatory requirements outlined in the RFP. The three proposals having met these requirements were then evaluated by an evaluation committee consisting of Public Works staff. The committee's evaluation was based on criteria described in the RFP, which included price, references, experience, and work plan. Based on this evaluation, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to the highest rated, lowest cost, responsive and responsible proposer, LiquiVision Technology, Inc.

Enclosure C reflects the proposers' minority participation. The contractor was selected upon final analysis and consideration without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

This contract contains terms and conditions supporting Board-sponsored policies, such as contractor responsibility and debarment (revised), jury service requirements, the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, and charitable activities compliance.

Proof of the required Comprehensive General and Automobile Liability insurance policies, naming the County as additional insured, and evidence of Workers' Compensation insurance will be obtained from the contractor before any work is assigned.

As requested by your Board, the contractor has submitted a safety record that reflects that its past activities have been conducted according to reasonable standards of safety.

In accordance with the Chief Administrative Officer's June 15, 2001, instructions, this is Public Works' assurance that this contractor will not be requested to perform services that will exceed the contract's approved amount, scope of work, and/or terms.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The award of this contract will not result in the displacement of any County employees, these services are presently contracted with the private sector.

CONCLUSION

One adopted copy of this letter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel

SAMPLE AGREEMENT FOR AS-NEEDED POTABLE WATER TANK INSPECTION AND CLEANING SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this day of	. 2006.
by and between the County of Los Angeles, acting as the governing boo	dy for the
WATERWORKS DISTRICTS, a subdivision of the State of California, a body	corporate
and politic (hereinafter referred to as DISTRICTS) and LIQUIVISION TECHNOLO	GY. INC
a corporation (hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR).	, , , , , , ,

WITNESSETH

<u>FIRST</u>: The CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter set forth and the acceptance by the DISTRICTS of the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal filed with the DISTRICTS on July 27, 2006, hereby agrees to provide services as described in the attached specifications for As-Needed Potable Water Tank Inspection and Cleaning Services, including, but not limited to, Exhibit A, Scope of Work.

SECOND: This AGREEMENT, together with Exhibit A, Scope of Work; Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, all attached hereto; the Request for Proposals; and Addenda to the Request for Proposals are incorporated herein by reference and are agreed by the DISTRICTS and the CONTRACTOR to constitute an integral part of the Contract documents.

THIRD: The DISTRICTS agree, in consideration of satisfactory performance of the foregoing services in strict accordance with the Contract specifications to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works (hereinafter referred to as DIRECTOR), to pay the CONTRACTOR pursuant to the Schedule of Prices set forth in the Proposal and attached hereto as Form PW-2, an amount not to exceed \$60,000 per year (Maximum Contract Sum), or such greater amount as the Board may approve.

<u>FOURTH</u>: This Contract's initial term shall be for a period of one year commencing on November 8, 2006. At the discretion of the DISTRICTS, this Contract may be extended in increments of one year, not to exceed a total contract period of three years. The DISTRICTS, acting through the DIRECTOR, may give a written notice of intent to extend this Contract at least 30 days prior to the end of each term. In addition, upon notice of at least 30 days, the Director may extend the final contract term on a month-to-month basis, not to exceed a total of six months, for the convenience of the DISTRICTS.

<u>FIFTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR shall bill monthly, in arrears, for the work performed during the preceding month. Work performed shall be billed at the unit prices quoted in Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices.

// // // SIXTH: Public Works will make payment to the CONTRACTOR within 30 days of receipt of a properly completed invoice. Each invoice shall be in triplicate (original and two copies) and shall itemize the work completed. The invoices shall be submitted to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Attention Fiscal Division, Accounts Payable P.O. Box 7508 Alhambra, CA 91802-7508

<u>SEVENTH</u>: In no event shall the aggregate total amount of compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR exceed the amount of compensation authorized by the Board. Such aggregate total amount is the Maximum Contract Sum.

<u>EIGHTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that only the designated Public Works Contract Manager is authorized to request or order work under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the designated Contract Manager is not authorized to request or order any work that would result in the CONTRACTOR earning an aggregate compensation in excess of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum.

NINTH: The CONTRACTOR shall not perform or accept work requests from the Contract Manager or any other person that will cause the Maximum Contract Sum of this Contract to be exceeded. The CONTRACTOR shall monitor the balance of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum. When the total of the CONTRACTOR'S paid invoices, invoices pending payment, invoices yet to be submitted, and ordered services reaches 75 percent of the Maximum Contract Sum, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Contract Manager in writing. The CONTRACTOR shall send written notification to the Contract Manager when this Contract is within six months from expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove.

TENTH: The DIRECTOR shall adjust the rate of compensation set forth in Form PW-2 (Schedule of Prices) annually based on the increase or decrease in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics', All Urban Consumers Price Index for the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County Area (CPI). The contract anniversary date shall be the effective date for any such cost-of-living adjustment. The percentage change in the rate of compensation shall equal 12 times the average monthly change in the CPI over the first nine months of the contract term preceding the effective date. However, any percentage increase shall not exceed the general salary movement granted to COUNTY employees as determined by the COUNTY'S Chief Administrative Office as of July 1 for the prior 12-month period. Furthermore, should fiscal circumstances ultimately prevent the Board from approving any increase in COUNTY employee salaries, no cost-of-living adjustment will be granted.

<u>ELEVENTH</u>: In the event that terms and conditions, which may be listed in the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, conflict with the DISTRICTS' specifications, requirements, and terms and conditions as reflected in this AGREEMENT, including, but not limited to, Exhibits A through D, inclusive, the DISTRICTS' provisions shall control and be binding.

<u>TWELFTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR agrees in strict accordance with the Contract specifications and conditions to meet the DISTRICTS' requirements.

<u>THIRTEENTH</u>: This Contract constitutes the entire AGREEMENT between the DISTRICTS and the CONTRACTOR with respect to the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors, acting as the governing body of the DISTRICTS, has ordered these presents to be subscribed by the Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

	LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICTS
	By Director of Public Works
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR. County Counsel	
By Deputy	LIQUIVISION TECHNOLOGY, INC.
	Its President Type or Print Name
	ByIts Secretary
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Bid Detail Information

Bid Number: PW-ASD 625

Bid Title: AS-NEEDED POTABLE WATER TANK INSPECTION AND CLEANING SERVICES (2006-AN008)

Bid Type: Service

Department: Public Works

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ETC.)

Open Date: 6/26/2006

Closing Date: 7/20/2006 5:30 PM

Bid Amount: N/A

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Bid Description: NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AS-NEEDED POTABLE WATER TANK INSPECTION

AND CLEANING SERVICES (2006-AN008)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Public Works requests proposals for a contract for the As-Needed Potable Water Tank Inspection and Cleaning Services (2006-AN008). The total annual cost of these services is estimated to be \$60,000. If not enclosed with this letter, the Request for Proposals (RFP) with contract specifications, forms, and instructions for preparing and submitting proposals may be requested by accessing this link at ftp://dpwftp.co.la.ca.us/solicitationdocuments/watertank.pdf or from Ms. Leticia Gordo at (626) 458-4057, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Proposers must meet all minimum requirements set forth in the RFP document, including, but not limited to, its diving personnel having a certificate or graduation from an Association of Commercial Diving Educators certified commercial diving school or equivalent military or other training (minimum 600 hours).

A Proposers' Conference will be held on Monday, July 10, 2006, at 9 a.m. at Public Works Headquarters, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803, in Conference Room A. ATTENDANCE BY THE PROPOSER OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AT THE CONFERENCE IS MANDATORY. Public Works will reject proposals from those who have not signed in as attending the Conference. Attendees should be prepared to ask questions at that time about the specifications, proposal requirements, and contract terms. After the Conference, it may be impossible to respond to further requests for information.

The deadline to submit proposals is Monday, July 24, 2006, at 5:30 p.m. Please direct your questions to Ms. Gordo at the number above.

The conference facility complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). With four business days' notice, Public Works will make all reasonable efforts to provide information in alternate formats and other accommodations for people with disabilities. For the ADA Coordinator, please call (626) 458 4081 or TDD at (626) 282 7829, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Contact Name: LETICIA GORDO Contact Phone#: (626) 458-4057

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